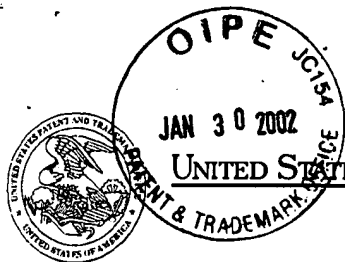


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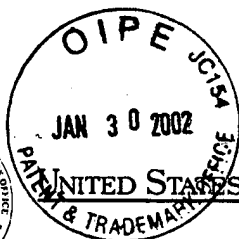
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Application No.: 09/932,441 Group Art Unit: 2161  
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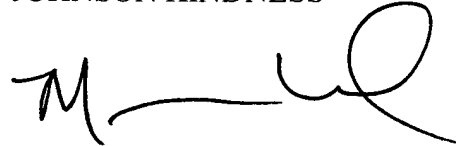
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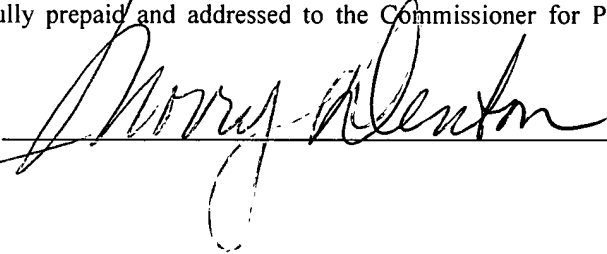


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